

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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I WILL THEREFORE THAT MEN PRAY EVERY WHERE

OPPRESSIONS AND TROUBLE

S. B. McCane, Crown, W. Va.

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you." James 5:1. These words came to me this morning and it bore upon my mind to write a little concerning them as the times are so hard and people don't really know what to do. Work is bad.

These words of James spoken concerning the last days and the signs we see that Christ and the apostles told us would come make us believe that the end is very near. We see the rich man is oppressing the poor, they have cut wages and compel men to do more work now for smaller wages than five years ago. Some may not realize it but there are children crying for bread, their father hasn't a job and can't get one and those who have jobs can scarcely keep enough to eat. In the coal fields they aren't working but 2 or 3 days a week. The time of famine and distress is coming. The rich man has wages so low and the cost of living very high. Some people don't know what they are going to do. This is just fulfilling the words of James.

We wish to call your attention to Matt. 24 in connection with this subject. Notice in this chapter the disciples asked three questions. One was, What shall be the sign of thy coming? Jesus said, Take heed that no man deceive you for many shall come in my name. Ye shall hear of wars, nations shall rise against nations, there shall be famines and pestilence. All these are the beginning of sorrow. But Matt. 24:6 says, See that ye be not troubled for all these things must come to pass. I heard several people say, no doubt you have to, I don't believe that God will allow His people to be oppressed, but I believe that this is a way that God has to make His people willing to leave this old world and a way to try them. God wants a tried people and this is a good way to try them. Some say that this is a pretty good old world and I want to stay here as long as I can, but when your children begin to cry for bread because of oppressions of the rich man then you will think differently and begin to say, O Lord, deliver me and my children. But the rich man just keeps on oppressing you and you just keep on crying to God. Then the words of James 5:4 will come to pass, Behold, the hire of labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabbath."

Fraud means deceit or a practice with a view to gaining an unlawful or unfair advantage, or pretending to pay you and not doing it. But their time is coming. What does it say to the rich man? Read the text again, also James 5:2, "Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten." They may have the gold and silver, fine cars, fine clothes, houses and what they call a good time, while we are enduring hardships and oppressions, but cheer up, children, ours is coming after while when we get to set our feet on the pure gold streets of that beautiful city. Praise God! There will be no rich men to oppress us there. Isn't it worth going through? The oppressions of the rich man is just a sign of the soon coming of our deliverance.

In Exodus 5 we see a type in connection with the oppressions of God's people. Moses came to Pharaoh and said to him, Thus saith the Lord, let my people go. Pharaoh said, No. Probably laughed at him. There are still several Pharaohs living to-day. When the deliverance of Israel was nearing Pharaoh put a greater task on them and made them gather their own straw and make the same amount of brick as when someone gathered it for them. The rich are making us do the same amount of work for half price. Pharaoh was drowned in the Red Sea. He perished. The rich man will perish. The text says, Weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. James 5:3, "Your gold and silver have cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure to—
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Rivers of Living Water

OCALA, Fla.—I am thanking God for this wonderful salvation that saves from sin. Thank God for His love. It is thru His love that you and I have this wonderful blessing. In that last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. John 7:37, 38. Oh, how I do thank the good Lord for this living water. Dear brother and sister, I am so glad we can drink at the fountain that shall never run dry. If we will stay humble at Jesus' feet and keep our eyes in Him, some day we will have a home with Jesus where we never will have any more trials. We will not shed any more tears for God will wipe all tears from our eyes. The dear Lord said in John 16:33, These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. Vernon Moran, 1216 N. Mag. St.

Spend happy Hours In Prayer

LIBERTY, S. C.—I praise God for His goodness to me. He healed me of the flu. I am praising God tonight for His presence. I praise Him because He chose the weak things to confound the mighty. When He chose me I could not read much but I am glad tonight that I can read the Bible. I thank Him because I am saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost abides. Sometimes I feel that Heaven is all around and in us. I think of the words of Paul when he said that we shall sit together in heavenly places. I am thanking God for a clean heart and clean hands for they shall be clear that bear the vessel of the Lord. I am doing my best to get to heaven. The happiest hours I spend is when I am praying, trying to get closer to Him. I am praising God for the sweet experience that runs thru me tonight. I can feel the call to night to preach. I have never given up prayer. No matter how tired I am always pray before going out into the public. I go down on my knees and get a blessing from God and more power to resist the evil. The prophet said to shut our eyes to evil and to have an eye that is single. The single eye means the spiritual eye. The spiritual eye means a body full of light, seeing the spiritual things of God. —Your brother in Christ, A. P. Haris, Rt. 4.

I Mean To Make Heaven My Home

PULASKI, Va.—I want to thank the Lord to-day because I am saved. Please pray that I will soon be sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost for I want to make heaven my home. I have three sweet ones gone on before. Pray for me and for my father and mother. —Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Annie Anderson.

Scattering Gospel Tracts

We are now in a battle against the enemy in the little town of Buckner, Ill. We have been in this meeting for only a few days but the Lord has just opened the windows of heaven and Oh, now He has blessed. We are having good attendance, the house and yard are filled with people each evening. This town is mostly all Catholics but they come to hear and see. We only have a small church in this place, just a few members. We put out many good gospel tracts among the people. We trust this will help them to see the light. We ask the prayers of all for this work. Some good man or woman in the state of Pennsylvania has furnished money to buy tracts for us to give out in these dark places, for which we thank them. We say some man or woman because we don't know who it is that does this but the Lord bless them whoever they may be. —J. R. Thomas.

THE FIRST THING A DISCIPLE SHOULD PRAY FOR

R. P. Johnson

The first thing that we are to pray for is found in Luke 11:2, THY KINGDOM COME. Jesus had been praying and when He ceased one of the disciples said, "Lord, teach us to pray." I feel sure that request pleased Jesus for in the next breath we hear Him as He outlines the first thing that He would have a disciple to pray for. The kingdom is not here yet, there are good reasons to believe that it will soon be. But the coming of that day is not a matter wholly taken over by our God, for we have our part in bringing in the kingdom.

Jesus knew what this prayer would be certain to mean to a people into whose consciousness and life it had once effectively made its way as a real prayer, for every prayer that is a genuine prayer will shape itself into a program for the life of the one who prays it. Now you that would know how to pray, remember that there is liability in prayer.

In other words, you can not frame a prayer at your lips and then forget it from your life. We have not discharged ourselves from all obligation to our prayer when we have solemnly said, "Amen."

Let us look steadfastly into the responsibility resting on the church taught in its establishment, THY KINGDOM COME. I want us to look honestly at our duty as it is disclosed in our prayer rather than at our prayer as an easy method of having done something for us that will doubtless cost us very dearly. Since this is the first thing that He would have us pray for, this must be the first desire of the Church. It becomes the duty of those who get out literature to see that the chief purpose in distributing literature is to hasten the coming of the Lord. Every sermon should be preached with the thought that this will help the kingdom to come. Every minister should feel that he is a steward over his lord's goods till he comes. When we give to the support of the gospel we should feel that this will hasten His coming.

A man became burdened for a certain benighted people. He began praying God to send someone to establish the faith that he cherished among those benighted folks. His prayer continued, finally he found himself stretched out in agonizing pain to God for those people. Then he began to ask God to give him faith that someone would be sent. One morning he arose with a shout of victory, for he had the assurance that God would send someone. But the days passed swiftly by and no one showed up for the foreign field. He was busy getting some things together that he could spare for the missionary when he showed up. Finally he went into his prayer chamber again and said, "Lord, I am sure that you promised to send someone. I have the things ready to give but no one has offered themselves for the field." Then the Lord said unto him, "What have you done? What will you do? Are these the things that you should provide for your missionary trip should you be sent?" He felt faint and almost swooned as he realized that his prayer had shaped itself into a program for the balance of his life. Oh, how different the preparation from that hour. And so it will be with you and me should we realize the duty that is disclosed in this three worded text.

One thing he did and that was he prayed believing for he that cometh to God must believe that he is. Heb. 11:6. Let him ask in FAITH doubting nothing, for he that waveth is like a wave of the sea, driven of the wind and tossed. James 1:6. Many other scriptures could be given showing the importance of faith when we pray. And I am persuaded that in the present world crisis we need to catch the full meaning of FAITH. Dear reader, it is a great thing to have faith. If you don't have genuine faith, you will not pray much for the kingdom to come. The coming of the King

God Surely Did Bless

SELMA, Ala.—I am praising the Lord this morning for full and free salvation. I am glad that God looked down and saw me lost in sin, picked me up and set my feet on the solid rock Christ Jesus.

We have just closed a three weeks' meeting. God surely did bless. Three were saved and five filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother L. J. Potts did the preaching. I believe he is a God sent man. I thank God for a servant who will really preach the gospel. Anyone wanting a real pentecostal revival would do well to call on Brother Potts. I believe he lets the Lord lead in everything he undertakes.

I desire the prayers of all the saints that I will stay humble at the foot of the cross and do what God would have me to do. I also want you to pray for my father who was carried to the hospital Saturday night June 14th. He is ready to go if it is the Lord's will because he is filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. — Your sister in Christ, Eunice Barrett, Rt. 4.

By His Stripes We Are Healed

KENTWOOD, La.—I praise the Lord this morning for good old time salvation in my soul. About two years ago the dear Lord saved my soul, sanctified me with His precious blood and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I praise Him for His mighty healing power. He has healed me many times. I haven't taken a drop of medicine in two years. I took the Lord for my Savior and healer. He said by His stripes we are healed. I am trusting in these stripes for the healing of my body.

I praise the dear Lord for the good prayer meeting we have in my home and the way the power falls. I have seven children. Five of them have the FAITH MUST BE ACTIVE. You go to the show room in New York where they have the annual auto show. There you will see a high wheel, carriage looking vehicle with a peculiar looking one or two cylinder motor. The machine is old and rickety, possibly it would have made fifteen miles per hour on level road. The crowds are gathered to look at it instead of the large, fine machines. Why? Because there is the first expression of faith in a machine that will run under its own power. It would not have been fair to faith to keep it in that old rickety machine. Such faith must be active. Just look at our country with one hundred and seventy-nine thousand miles of hard surface highways crowded with twenty-eight million automobiles, all because one man's faith shaped itself into a program for millions of men and billions of miles.

Look at the first aeroplane, it only rises a few feet from the ground then comes back. But faith did not fall. It seized the minds and bosoms of the thousands of the world's bravest men. Look what a program in the aeroplane industry. Instead of flying a few feet, we see them as they sail to the north pole then to the south, now they fly around the world. It would not have been fair to faith to keep it in that old rickety machine. Such faith must be active. Just look at our country with one hundred and seventy-nine thousand miles of hard surface highways crowded with twenty-eight million automobiles, all because one man's faith shaped itself into a program for millions of men and billions of miles.

Look yonder at the Australian Hawker when he announces that he BELIEVES he can span the Atlantic. He circles the field and we see his machine as it rises from the earth, points its nose westward; look at him as he leaves his people not knowing where he will land. We have never heard of him since. But what about faith? We see it as it crosses the Atlantic and lights in the bosom of the most heroic people on the globe. Look yonder comes a machine thru the air. It lands at Roosevelt Field. A young man steps out and announces to the world that he will soon be off to Paris. A few mornings later while other men were waiting for fair weather, we see the Lone Eagle as he steps into his machine and starts across the field. We wonder if he will be able to make it take the air. Yes, there he goes. The operator ticks off a message saying, "The flying fool has gone." Thirty-three anxious hours passed. Then such a message! WE ARE HERE. The world went wild. What the Australian boy said could be done another can say has been done. Faith must be active unto results.

Go to Kansas City or any other large city where they are demonstrating farm machinery. Look at the first old rusty crude mowing machine. See the crowd around it while the patent model machine sets by its side mounted on

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WE SHOULD DRESS MODEST

Pearl Richards

"In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

If all of our Church of God women and girls would measure up to this text, I am sure it would be much more pleasing to the Lord than the way some of them are dressing to-day. If we are measuring up to it, we are not wearing our skirts to or above our knees, short sleeves or no sleeves, our dress so low in the neck till our body is exposed, and made of very thin material, but we are dressing as becoming holiness, opposite from that mentioned above.

"That women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array." Braiding the hair means curling the hair and it is pride that makes anyone curl their hair, and of course it is pride that makes God's children want to wear costly clothing. As God's children should not let this pride enter our hearts, but let our hearts be so filled with the love of God that there will be no room for pride or worldliness.

Of course we want to look nice and decent and if we measure up to God's Word, we are sure to look that way. Instead of us Church of God people spending so much for dressing and fashion, we ought to dress reasonably and put forth every effort possible to help send the gospel to this lost and dying world. I am sure if we deny ourselves for Jesus' sake we will get a blessed reward for it over yonder in the Glory Land. There are many things we will have to deny ourselves of to walk this narrow way. This way is narrow and there is no room for worldliness. Jesus said in Matt. 5:14, "Ye are the light of the world," and in the same chapter He said for us to let our light shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven. How can we let our light shine if we dress like the world. We must lay aside the things of this world if we ever shine for Jesus. Rom. 12:2 says, "And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." I tell you, dear people, if we are transformed from the world we will dress, talk and act different from the world. I John 2:15-17 says, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." You see this says if we love the world, the love of the Father is not in us, and also says he that doeth the will of God abideth forever. We have no promises of abiding forever unless we do His will and it is not His will that we fashion after the world, but that we be opposite from it and let our light shine for Him, for the world is watching us holiness people. They are reading our lives more than they are the Bible and we surely ought to be careful what we do and what we say and the way we dress before this on-looking world, and preach holiness, practice holiness and do our best for Jesus every day, for this life is very short and can only be lived one time.

Say sisters, come on and let's have us a style of dressing that God's Word will not condemn. 1 Cor. 6:19, 20, What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." Here we see that we are not our own. We belong to God. He dwells in us and we ought to dress His temple like He said dress it. I believe if we had shamefacedness as mentioned in the text, we would be ashamed to dress so nude. And if we love Jesus with all our heart, how

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He Gives Power To Overcome

UNICOI, Tenn.—I am praising the dear Lord at this present time for victory in my soul. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I belong to the great Church of God. I have started to live for my dear Lord. I want to get stronger in the way and do more for the dear Lord in the time to come than I have in the time past. I am glad and thankful to-day because I ever found the way. I know the way is right. I want to press the battle on and live the life in this world so that when the dear Lord gets ready to call me I can be ready to meet Him.

Dear friends, I believe we are living in the last days. We ought to be doing something for our Lord. We have hard trials and temptations to bear, but thank God. He can give us the power to overcome all things if we live close to Him and do His will. I want to be a soul winner. Pray for the people at this place for they surely need prayer. Pray for the Lord to provide a way for us to build a church at this place. Pray for me to stay humble and do what the Lord would have me do.—A sister under the blood, Martha Clinch.

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EDITORIALS

The Tennessee state convention at Knoxville, Tenn., was grand. The churches were well represented. Brother H. L. Whittington was there to solicit for the Church of God Evangel. The music was splendid. The music rendered by Brothers Robinson and Yates was greatly enjoyed by all. You will not make a mistake in getting them to sing and make music for your meetings. We expect the influence of this convention to last for many days. It surely was a blessed time.

Brother George Douglas and wife left here with Brother Robinson and Brother Yates to help in a revival in Campaign, Tenn.

Brother J. L. Goins is to begin a revival in Knoxville, Tenn., July 13th D. V.

While some of our ministers are failing and going down in disgrace and reproach, yet there are many who are holding to their integrity, true to God and to His Church.

It surely will not be long until iniquity will come to the full and the man of sin be revealed. Are we ready and patiently watching and waiting for the return of our Lord?

Remember that prosperity and the religion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ do not thrive together very long, but when the judgments of the Lord are in the earth the people learn righteousness. If hard times come, remember we have a promise that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord.

We have received since last issue sixty-three yearly subscriptions. The Montana state convention sent by P. W. Henson, sixteen; Haskel Williams sent seven; Wiley E. Wright, four; Ross Hill, four. We received in the month of June 599 yearly subscriptions. May the Lord bless those who stand by the Evangel. We thank each worker and friend.

He Loved Us So

MIAMI, Ariz.—I praise God this evening because He is so wonderful. I thank Him for loving His people so well that He gave His only begotten Son. I praise and thank Jesus for thinking so much of us that He shed His precious life blood that we might be saved and given a chance to make the run to Heaven.

I praise Him for saving husband, mother and me and putting us on the Highway of Holiness. I am glad we are added to the Church of God.

We trust God for both soul and body. He has healed us many times. While we were on our way from Lynch, Ky., to Arizona our car turned over. My mother's and my hands were sprained. We think that our little boy got a bone in his back broken. We called on Jesus and He wonderfully healed us everyone at the same time. My companion got his limb hurt badly in the mines. We thought it was broken. We prayed for God to heal him and He did. He didn't lose one day from his work. I could never get thru telling what Jesus has done for me.

We have a dear sister sick. She is trusting God for her healing. I want all the praying people to pray for her. If God doesn't undertake, she cannot live.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. King Turpin.

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NOTICES & SPECIALS

I would like to get a letter from someone who lives in a cotton country where cotton opens early. Let me know about the prospects of a crop of cotton and about what cotton pickers generally get. I have been working for the Pennsylvania Railroad. I got sick and the doctor pronounced me to have T. B. in a bad stage. They dismissed me from the relief then said they guessed they would have to dismiss me from the work. I have a family of eight children. One is a cripple but he is in the gospel work. I would like to get work close to Tennessee so I can attend the Assembly this Fall. Then I think I will go West in Texas or some place in a dry climate. Wife feels her call to the gospel work and we would like to be where there is a Church of God that is in need of help. Pray for me that God might have His way with me and that I may have strength in my body. I would like to get an answer from this as soon as possible.—A brother in Christ, J. R. Clement, 662 17 St. S. E., Canton, O.

A home is offered to a sister wishing to consecrate her life to home mission work or to prepare herself for the foreign mission field. Address Mary Morrison Luckey, 613 East 13th St., Charlotte, N. C.

We want to hear from a church of God family who wants to make another year's crop and live close to the church and help keep the Sunday school going. We haven't any Sunday School just now but hope it will begin before long. We surely do need someone here to help carry on prayer meeting and Sunday School. We have a good place to rent to any Church of God family who wants to make a crop as we need help in the church and with the crop. Please answer soon. Mrs. Willie May Wilburn, Rt. 5, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

The district meeting will begin July 26, Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. and end July 27, Sunday night, at Crumblies Chapel. We are expecting representatives from every church in the district, Hurricane, Zion, Gray Hill, Potash, Friendship, Sylacauga. We are expecting the Gilley Quartet. This place is located eighteen miles from Heflin, Ala. Everybody is invited. We are expecting a good time with the Lord. Everybody pray for the meeting.—L. B. Hall, District Pastor, Anniston, Ala.

To all the Evangel readers: I will soon have my crop laid by. Anyone wanting me to run or help in a meeting write me. I am at your service. I stand foursquare for the Church of God, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer. Write me at the address below. C. E. Chambliss, Box 10, Holly Ridge, La.

Our revival will begin at the Church of God, New Shiloh on Rt. 2, Cullman, Ala. We want the prayers of all who read this for the success of this revival. We need some help as we are just a few in number. This is a new field for the church of God. We invite any of the Church of God ministers or singers to come and help us.—J. A. Tant, pastor, Minnie Elrod, clerk, Rt. 2, Cullman, Ala.

This is to inform you that there'll be all day services at the Church of God at Buhl, Ala., Sunday, July 13. The public is invited to come and bring dinner. After this a revival will follow. Brother W. T. Nelson of Empire, Ala., will be in charge. We ask all to pray for the success of this meeting.—Humbly, W. E. Hodo, clerk, Buhl, Ala.

God is blessing at old Friendship near Charleston, Miss. They have had no services in a number of years but the fire is falling now. Last night, July 4, five said they were saved, one sanctified, and two received the Holy Ghost. Praise the good Lord! A committee is busy on the building. They expect to begin work next week. Pray, pray.—A. V. Beaube, State Evangelist.

A revival will begin July 13 at the Church of God at Bristol, Tenn., corner 14th and Shelby St. We expect our State Overseer to be with us a few days. If any of the brethren are passing by and can stop over with us a few days we will be glad. We desire the prayers of the saints for the success of the meeting.—Ed Johnson, pastor.

We will have home coming day at the Church of God at Parkwood, Ala., the fourth Sunday in July. Every member try to be there on that date. Everybody has a cordial invitation to come over and enjoy the great blessings of God with us.—A. W. Mills, pastor, Bassmer, Ala.

Our meeting will begin August 9. Everybody pray for it that souls may get thru to victory. If anyone desires to come and help in the meeting or any preacher feels led who stands foursquare for the Church of God and its teachings, we would be glad you

would come and help in this meeting. Pray for the church.—Your sister under the blood, Mrs. Della Pierce, Clerk, Evening Shade, Ark.

The Church of God at Welton, W. Va. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: Mrs. L. V. Hicks, Mrs. E. Griner, Mrs. Molly Markland. If not heard from by August 1 we will drop them from our list.—Leslie McKinney, Iroquois, W. Va.

Alabama state camp meeting will convene at Anniston, Ala., August 8-17 inclusive. The committee has secured the gospel tabernacle for the camp meeting this time. Come and bring such equipment as you will need for camping and the committee will provide the shelter.

To the ministry of the state: You are expected to be present unless providentially hindered. Don't fail to meet me there and let's make this one of the greatest camp meetings Alabama has ever had. Tell your church to come and meet you there full of power and glory. Let's pray one special prayer each day for the meeting. Come! Come! Come!!!

Pray! Pray!! Pray!!!—Your humble servant, John C. Padgett, State Overseer, Lake Park, Ga.

P. S. Remember no revivals are to go on in Alabama during the camp meeting.

The pastor of the Church of God at Sylacauga, Ala., requests that all the members of this church be present in person or send a written testimony on the fourth Sunday of this month for we will have home coming and children's day combined.—Velma Jolly, 47 Central Ave., Sylacauga, Ala.

We want everyone to join us in prayer for the success of the revival which began under Brother C. B. Shaw's tent July 2. This is a new field but God has blessed in sending out the people from the very beginning. Pray, pray that God will save souls in this meeting.—A sister in Jesus, Ada Belle, Canton, Ga.

Please pray a special prayer for my baby. Pray a fervent prayer for a neighbor boy who has fits. He wants to go to meeting and be prayed for but his folks won't let him. He believes the Lord can heal him but I don't think his folks like holiness. Pray for me and my house. Pray for my boys to return home.—Yours for Jesus, Maggie Hickerson, Rt. 2, Newell, Ala.

Pray for my family and me to live for Jesus. Please pray for my sick brother and sick boy to be healed. Pray for my husband's stomach to be healed.—Sallie Corn, Blue Spring, W. Va.

REQUESTS

Please pray a special prayer for my baby. I am suffering much with a cancer.—A sister in Christ, Lou Malone, Coalmont, Ind.

I ask all who know the worth of prayer to pray for me that I might be an overcomer. I thank God for the way He keeps me and heals my body. I am trusting the Lord for my body. He has healed me many times in six years.—A sister in Christ, H. M. Fletcher, Tarpon, Fla.

Brother H. C. Shaffer, clerk of the Church of God at Petersburg, W. Va., requests prayer for the healing of His body at once as he has been struck down with T. B. of the lungs and is trusting God to heal him. He wants you to know he is saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. He is doing all he can for the uplift of the church so pray that God will heal his body. If Brother Rouse sees this he requests him to pray a special prayer for him.—Two who are praying for his speedy recovery, R. A. Fielden and wife.

Pray for me and my family. We need prayer. I have not received the baptism of the Holy Ghost yet but belong to the Church. Pray for our community.—Josephine Evans.

I ask special interest in your prayers. I am a member of the Church of God. I have many hard trials to go against but I humbly ask all who read this to earnestly pray for me that the Lord will make me an overcomer.—A sister in the Lord, Clara M. Harris, Bainbridge, Ga.

Every Church of God member please pray a special prayer for my father. He is in the Baptist hospital in Selma, Ala. He has ulcer of the stomach. He was carried to the hospital June 14. Also pray for his chin, he has a carbuncle on it. If Brother Rouse sees this, please pray for him.—His daughter, Eunice Barrett, Rt. 4, Selma, Ala.

I desire the prayers of the saints for my seven months old baby who has whooping cough. If God doesn't heal her, she will not get over it. I am trusting in Him for I know He is able. My husband and his mother are trying to get a work started here in Richmond. Please pray for me that I will get closer to God and be a real helpmeet to him in the work for I believe Jesus is coming soon. Pray for my husband that God will heal him of neuralgia.—One who is seeking a deeper experience, Mrs. L. L. Hughes, 708 K. St., Richmond, Ky.

I praise the Lord for saving me. I want everybody who prays to pray for me to get sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I belong to the

great Church of God and am not ashamed of it.—Your sister who prays for you, Maudie Patterson, Rt. 1, Plantersville, Ala.

Please pray a special prayer for my husband that God may heal his body and restore him to health again. He has been down with inflammatory rheumatism for nearly a year. I know God is able to heal so please pray for us.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. C. H. Bullard, Rt. 2, Box 10, Speedwell, Tenn.

I want all who know the worth of prayer to pray for my little grandson. He is in bed sick. Pray for him to be healed if it is the Lord's will. Pray for his mother and father to go to the Lord before it is too late.—His grandmother, Maggie Kinsey, Lafayette, Ga.

About one and a half months ago our little boy was thrown by a mule. His head was hurt internally. Lately his eyes and head are giving him trouble. He also has poison oak on his limb. We request the saints everywhere and especially Brother Rouse to pray that the dear Lord will make him whole again.—Yours for lost souls, Elmer Thomas, Liberty, Ala.

Dear Evangel readers everywhere: Please pray for me. I am badly ruptured in my left side and need the prayers of the children of the dear Lord. I have a real burning in this place at times. I want the saints everywhere who read this to pray earnestly for the dear Lord to heal my body so I will be able to work for Him again.—As ever, your brother in Christ, W. G. Rembert, Box 71, Burnside, Ky.

Please pray a special prayer for my baby. Pray a fervent prayer for a neighbor boy who has fits. He wants to go to meeting and be prayed for but his folks won't let him. He believes the Lord can heal him but I don't think his folks like holiness. Pray for me and my house. Pray for my boys to return home.—Yours for Jesus, Maggie Hickerson, Rt. 2, Newell, Ala.

Pray for my family and me to live for Jesus. Please pray for my sick brother and sick boy to be healed. Pray for my husband's stomach to be healed.—Sallie Corn, Blue Spring, W. Va.

SHIP OF ZION

Pauline Jackson

"Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved." Acts 23:31

We want to take our lesson from the ship on which Paul was riding on his way to Rome. It is not to be compared with the great ship of Zion which we are riding to Heaven. Christ used natural things to explain spiritual things.

First, we want to notice the story of Paul's voyage and how the ship was tossed about in crossing the great sea from Palestine to Italy. (Paul was arrested by the Jews in Jerusalem and delivered into the hands of the Romans and because of the great false accusation which the Jews brought against him he appealed unto Caesar at Rome.) They were caught in a great storm, darkness covered the sea for many days and the ship was wrecked but all escaped.

"We are sailing on the Ship of Zion (The Church of God). This ship will never tear up. No, the gates of hell will never prevail against her. The ship on which Paul was riding is nothing to be compared with this ship. The devil's force comes against her many times, the storms rage, the winds beat upon her as she sails the great sea, but she is bound for Heaven's shore. We sail through many storms of trials and persecutions, but we are sailing on.

Many have left the ship of safety. Why? They are looking back to the world, pride, fashions, pleasures of the world. They get a glimpse of the devil's playhouse and many other things I will not mention. But "except ye abide in the ship ye cannot be saved." "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world." 1 Jno. 2:15, 16. Paul knew that if any plunged into the sea, they would go down and be drowned. If Noah had left the ark, he would have perished. I'm glad that God has some faithful soldiers who are still sailing on the great Ship of Zion. When we got on board the ship we left all sinful baggage on the shores of sin. Let us keep sailing on and on for we will soon reach Heaven's shore. Jesus is our Captain. He is the same Christ that rebukes the winds and waves on the sea. Let us every one take new courage and stay in the ship with Jesus. We will be glad when we all get over on Heaven's bright shore that we stayed in the ship with Jesus.

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Enjoyed Visiting Churches And State Meetings

Brother W. J. Milligan, Missouri Kansas State Overseer, asked us to report our northern trip to the Evangel and here we come hoping we are not intruding.

June 5 found us in the Kentucky state meeting at Highland Park, Louisville. That was four days of real feasting for our souls. Messrs. R. H. Bell, State Overseer, and James Daniel, pastor, did everything for us we could ask for in boosting and urging the good people to support us in a way that we could stay on the job and help in the good work.

We went next to Richmond, Ind. to record that famous "Set Down" with others. "Set Down" with Cullie's "Mother Song" are recorded together and will be ready to ship by the time you read this. The "Goat Song" and "Elbow Room" will be released before the Assembly at Cleveland. And the Lord and the boss being willing we will be there for we have our consent and that of the good Church of God people.

We spent one night in the church at Shelburn, Ind., believe me, we found those people for the Happy Two one hundred per cent. We assure you it is mutual. Brother C. H. Standifer and that musical daughter, Lucile, the best pianist in the church ranks who have heard, and Brother Floyd proved to us that we were one of them as well as the wife of C. H. and their members.

We next went to the state meeting at Olney, Ill. On account of the illness of the mother of the State Overseer, Brother E. L. Simmons, one of the greatest balls of fire in the church as a whole, we were a little cramped for a while. But that big-hearted Brother Graham Oglesby, local pastor, soon

Mission Department

Material for this Department should be mailed to E. L. Simmons,
Mission Secretary, Christopher, Ill.

Many good reports are still coming from all over the island of Jamaica. It seems that Brother Thomas is surely on the job and teaching them what the Church of God stands for. It is really gratifying to me to know that the missionary work we have is a real Church of God work and my heart is yearning for the time that a knowledge of God's church will cover the face of the earth.

We are also in receipt of many letters from the Bahama Islands, most of which are appeals. We are sorry but we can not publish all of these.

First, because there are so many that we could not ask for space, and second, because many of them are only appeals to the Board. We are in hopes, however, that in the near future we will have something in the way of experience and travels of some of the native evangelists of both Jamaica and the Bahamas.

SWEETING AND LIGHTBURN

Though it seems almost as ancient history now, my thoughts run back to my missionary trip to the Bahamas in 1913, and two evangelists I met over there who were travelling together. One of them was Brother Lightburn. He was a tall, yellow man who could not read a word but his wife would read to him and he would memorize

A TESTIMONY

CAVE RIVER, Boro Bridge P. O.—Dear sisters and brethren in the Lord, I have just started in this way. Praise the Lord. I did not know that I would be in the family of Jesus for I was going on in the world in my mad career, having not the hope of God, but in my dark, lonely hours I heard a voice sweetly whisper to me saying, I have power to save a poor sinner like you. I mean to press this glorious battle on for there is a victory to be won. Mark 8:36 says, What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? So I am asking the dear saints of God to pray for me that I may continue in this blessed Church of God in Jesus' name.—I am yours truly, Edna Kelly.

THE FIRST THING A DISCIPLE SHOULD PRAY FOR

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solid brass, polished like the president's private auto. Why does the rusty crude little machine claim the attention of the strong? Because it was the first expression of the forward looking FAITH of a man as he put his faith into an embodiment that has gone to every field in the world to help harvest its bumper crops and to help feed the hungry millions of mankind.

Now let's look and see if we can find a setting for this religiously speaking. The faith that Jesus brought to earth was to reach every creature or the gospel of that faith was to be preached to all men. God has all men in mind and it takes time for faith to saturate one individual. From my infancy I felt the call of God, but it took God twenty years to break thru unbelief and saturate my soul with the faith of the early disciples. God abides down the centuries and has patience with the human nation, and while He is showing mercy to you, He is showing justice to this great faith by giving it a chance at all instead of a fragment of people.

As I sit here and write I believe I can see signs of the great faith that has weathered the storms down the centuries with all they could hurl against it. Yes, I'm sure that I can see the faith of early disciples shaping itself in a program for the CHURCH OF GOD. Many have had to cling to their faith merely as faith. They have gone down under troubled seas. There have been many since Abraham's day who went out not knowing where they were going. All of the pilgrims did not arrive at their destination as far as men know, but I am sure that the time is here when the Church of God will refuse to wait longer for weather conditions, and will arise and boldly proceed to the task assigned her by her head.

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A Home For God

MONCLO, W. Va.—I am thanking the dear Lord for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost, and filling my heart with joy. I am praising the dear Lord for our little church at Monclo. This is where I first saw the light on holiness and learned to walk in the light as it shined upon my path.

I was saved in the old regular Baptist church. This was just an ankle deep experience. I next heard Brother Southern preach the Word. That put a zeal in my heart. Later on Brother Bates came here and held a revival. He showed me the light on the Church of God. I waded out knee deep and got sanctified. I had a determination to go on and get all the Lord had for me. Just a little later Brother Bewer came here to start a revival. In the first prayer meeting, the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire. The fire is burning yet. A few days later my husband fell at the altar and was saved and sanctified. He was about eighteen months getting self out of the way but thank God, He baptized him with the Holy Ghost.

My home is a home for God and His children. We do not rob God. My husband pays his tithes and offerings too. We thank God for our pastor, Broth. W. S. Ross. He surely is a soul feeder and a devil fighter. We have the victory here.

I feel the call of God in my heart for some purpose. I am burdened for lost souls. My heart's desire is to work for God. I teach the little children in Sunday School. Christ told Peter to feed the lambs. I thank God for the dear Evangel. Pray for me.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Tait Hall.

Love Not The World

GILBERT, La.—I praise God this morning for this great privilege of speaking a few words in regards to our Saviour's wonderful healing power. Thank God! I thank Him for healing both of my little boys of the fever. I promised God if He would heal them I would testify to it, and bless His precious name. He has healed them for which I give Him all the praises.

I thank God for this wonderful plan of salvation. Glory to God! It makes us love everybody and gives us a desire to trust in Jesus because we know He is able to take us thru all troubles, trials, and temptations. It takes all the fear of men out of our hearts. Oh, we need more faith as the saints once had. Moses' parents were not afraid of the King's commandments. Read Heb. 11:23.

Dear saints everywhere, I want you to pray for my loved ones who are out in sin. Pray for my husband. He believes in the Church of God and enjoys going to service but just won't give up. Oh there are so many! Saints, Let's pray as never before.

Dear readers, how are you spending your days? I have heard some say, We are only here for a while and life is just what we make out of it so let's enjoy ourselves. Yes, that's true, but how are we enjoying ourselves. If in the pleasures of this world, we are not pleasing God for He tells us in 1 John 2:15-17, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." Let's strive to live to please the dear Lord so we may be ready to go when He comes or calls.

Pray for our little church that she may rise and shine for Jesus. Pray for husband and me that we may rear our two little boys as Jesus would have us to. —A sister who wants to do the will of the Lord and be a soul winner for Jesus, Eva Cain.

WE SHOULD DRESS MODEST

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can there be any room to love the things He hates. He hates a proud look. Read Prov. 6:16-19. "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." James 4:6. May we be humble with all our heart, overcome this wicked world, shine for Jesus in the beauty of holiness, and go all the way with Him.

God Hath Power

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—I'm thankful tonight for Jesus and for what He really means to me. He is this whole world to me. Bless His sweet name! It is truly wonderful what God has done for me. I can't begin to tell it. Oh, the peace I feel in my soul right now! I can feel the glory rising in my soul right now. I've been in this way eighteen months and I find it better every day. All is well with my soul. I'm feasting daily on the good things of God.

I have been wanting to tell how the Lord delivered me of the snuff habit. I had been addicted to the habit for fifteen years. When the Lord sanctified me He took the desire of it away from me. As I was ashamed for people to know I had used it, I never did testify and give God the glory for it. The enemy tempted me with the stuff again and I went back to the habit worse than ever. I was in the church at the time I was using it. I had my sin covered up to the church. Oh how miserable I was. Nobody knew but God. I felt condemned. Every time I went to put some in my mouth I would say so queer and something seemed to say that would never do. But the enemy would overcome me. I do not know how many boxes I bought, throwing them away by the time I got to the giant, we will win.

Every morning I got up my snuff was the first thing I had to have. And every morning I got up I'd think, I won't use any this day. But the enemy would overcome me. I tried to quit the habit within myself. I realized if I ever quit it, the Lord had to help me.

I came to Charlotte in November. It appeared to me I never would get victory over it keeping it covered up. The Scripture came to me, Be sure your sin will find you out. That Scripture was continually ringing in my ears from morning until night. I thought of the reproach on the church. Oh how miserable I was! I well knew I'd never feel better or get victory until I confessed my wrong, which I did.

The next day after I made the confession the enemy came at me stronger than ever. Oh, I would have given anything for just a pinch of the stuff! I began to pray and repeat, Lord, help me. I do not know what caused me, unless it was the Lord, to look up, but I looked up and my eyes fell upon a motto hanging on the wall. It read thus, God hath power to help. I knew

IT WILL TAKE CHARITY

BRIGHTON, Mo.—I am thankful this morning for the Word and the promise that is laid down before God's believing children. I am thankful for the healing power. Thank God! I thank Him for healing both of my little boys of the fever. I promised God if He would heal them I would testify to it, and bless His precious name. He has healed them for which I give Him all the praises.

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Our little church has gone down and been disbanded but I know there is still a few faithful ones left. Pray that God will rescue them. I want to be in the Church of God and pay my tithes and live for my blessed Master what few days He lets me stay here in this old sinful world. I love Jesus above everything.

I have children who are in sin. Some of them have been in this good way but the enemy overcame them and they have drifted away. I have one who says that she wants to go to the Bible School. Pray that God will take her back, that her light may shine, and that the enemy might be defeated. I have one who is sick. The doctors say she will have to be operated on. Hold on to God for her until we get victory. My husband has lost the victory. He needs your prayers. Pray that God's will will be done and that our family will be unbroken around that great throne. I have two children gone on. Sometimes I can almost hear them calling me to come on. —Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. D. C. Presley.

Street Meetings

I don't believe I have ever read anything in the Evangel concerning street meetings but I feel led to write some on this. First, I will say street meetings are a good thing. They are very important, and I understand the Scripture, I believe we will have to wake up out of sleep, put on our beautiful garments, and do something for lost humanity.

Luke 14:21 says, "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind." We notice he says go quickly. He did not mean for them to fool with something unimportant. He wanted them to go then. The supper was ready.

Listen, friends, supper time (marriage supper) is very near and if we are going out to carry this invitation we will have to go now. I hope all who read this will stir themselves up, grab a few song books, the Bible, music, and anything else, and go out into the streets and lanes of your city and create some excitement and advertise this salvation. We boost salvation (now when I say salvation I mean all the good blessings of God) and say it is so wonderful. Then if it is so wonderful, let us use every means possible and they want to get their grain in, save it before the rain storms come and destroy it. The storm, the great tribulation, has been prophesied and God is calling men into His harvest field that precious sheaves may be saved. Don't you feel the need of the hour, brother, sister? Then come on, let's work the work God gave us to ready!

We think of this being the season of the great grain harvest, and how men are flocking to the harvest fields to work! (Oh, that we were as anxious to work in God's harvest field.)

We picture the owners of these great fields as they call for more men,

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THE NEED OF THE HOUR

B. T. S. STUDENT AT WORK FOR GOD

Dear ones, last Sunday night I saw the close of a successful revival here in Sweetwater, Texas. Several were saved and sanctified, eighteen received the Holy Ghost and twenty-one followed the Lord in water baptism. A church was organized here with twenty-four members and more to come in later.

Many of the B. T. S. students remember hearing me talk about beginning this revival when I got home. I want to say it has been a wonderful success. God has answered our prayers. Praise His dear name!

Believe me we surely had the devil to fight but God blessed right thru it all. I never had any idea this place was so wicked until we began the revival. We had to call the officers to come and get a drunk man who was disturbing peace. We had drunk men and women to put up with almost every night. Several nights I had to stand guard while Brother Campbell preached the Gospel. I remember hearing Brother Payne say many times in the schoolroom that we students need not think when we get out on the battlefield we would find everything so nice and pleasant. I partly believe it now.

I often think of the many happy hours I have spent in the dear old B. T. S. and how much love and unity we had in the schoolroom. God surely blessed our souls there. I feel so sad when I think I won't get to be in Bible School next term. But my two sisters are planning on going. I say to the young ministers and young people, The dear old B. T. S. is the place you need to attend. You will have one of the best superintendents that can be had. Brother J. H. Walker is a real man of God. He has also been a real successful teacher in the B. T. S. for the past three terms. Praise God for a man like Brother Walker.

I want to say to everybody, We are planning on having a wonderful camp meeting in Texas. Come everybody and enjoy it with us. We surely do appreciate our State Overseer, Brother Woods. He has showed so much interest in the work in Texas. We covet the prayers of God's children that the work will continue to prosper at this place.—A brother in Christ, Ross Hill, 901 Broadway St., Sweetwater, Tex.

do and receive the wages of eternal life.

Please pray for me that I will ever do God's will.—Humbly, your sister in Christ, Ruby Truesell.

Can Never Thank Him Enough

What Shall a Man Give In Exchange For His Soul

Mrs. O. G. Friddle, Thomasville, Ala.

"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Matt. 16:26.

The possession of things of this world never satisfy the human heart. The sinner may seek this world over, gain riches and fame, but down deep in his heart is an unfilled longing for something which isn't there. He may fill his life with worldly pleasures but that vague longing is never satisfied without God. Brother, what are you giving in exchange for your soul?

Some who profess to have Christ in their hearts are letting various things creep in and cheat them out of their souls. Some are selling their souls for beautiful things of this life, for vain glory and praise of worldly people who think only of a sinful pleasure-filled life in this world. But oh dear soul, when death knocks at your door and you have to face God's judgment unprepared what then would you give in exchange for your soul?

You may enjoy the sinful pleasures of this life and be counted as a good moral man, then find too late that you have lost your hope of heaven. You may be wealthy here on earth and have all the comforts and pleasures money can buy but, dear soul, take heed lest you gain the world and lose your own soul. Few people if any would sell their souls to the devil if they could see the lake of burning fire and brimstone awaiting them. Yet some unaware are selling their souls for one dollar, one drink of whiskey, one indecent dress, bobbed hair and makeup, one cigarette, one dip of snuff, one chew of tobacco, or even because they can't bear the persecutions of this world.

Last, I wish to say that Ft. Lauderdale church has a good street meeting Saturday nights and the Lord is surely blessing. If anyone is interested enough to write to me, I will be glad to correspond with you.—D. H. Deik, 912 N. E. St., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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I wrote this thinking it might help someone else who might be going thru the same battle I did. All pray for me that I'll hold out faithful until Jesus comes or calls.—A sister, Mily Mull, 409 E. 70th St.

in exchange for his soul? May this be a blessing to some one is my prayer.

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Obituaries

DICKINSON

On June 21, at 7:30 a. m. death came as a shock to the home of Mr. George Dickinson of Dixon, Miss., as his loving wife was accidentally shot. She was taking a loaded gun in the house and stepped on a loose plank on the porch which gave way with her causing the gun hammer to hit against a strip nailed from the post to the well, firing the fatal shot. The load entered the left side of her head causing part of her ear but leaving no disfiguring wounds. She never spoke again after she was shot. Members of the family said she was unusually cheerful on the morning of her death. Previous to her marriage she was Miss Lula Mae Williams. She was born May 12, 1902, age 28 years. The writer had the privilege of meeting her almost a year ago while Brother Johnson was holding a revival near her home in which husband and I assisted. She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost during the meeting and when Brother Johnson set the church in order at the close of the meeting she was one of the first to step forward for membership. The community has lost a friend to say nothing of the family's loss. She is survived by a mother and sister in Alabama, a husband and two small boys and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Clarence Johnson assisted by Brother Savelle of the Assembly of God, and her body laid to rest in the Pine Grove cemetery to await the soon coming of Jesus. — One who loved her dearly, Mrs. Thelma Floyd.

SEEVERS-METRAS

On June 2, 1930 the death angel came for Mr. A. Seevere, age sixty-nine years. He was laid away June 3rd at Zellwood, Fla. On Sunday he was at service and testified that he had the victory and was waiting for Jesus. The angel came very suddenly Monday morning about seven o'clock.

On Wednesday June 4th the angel came again and took Grandpa Metras, father-in-law of A. Seevere deceased. Grandpa was eighty-six years old and had been in bad health some time. He said he wanted to go whenever the Lord would send for him. He told Mama he was so happy on Sunday for he could see the angels and hear the music. We laid him away at Zellwood, Fla. June 5th. Our pastor, Brother D. W. Mills, was in charge of both services. — Mrs. L. B. Hammond, Zellwood, Fla.

VAUGHT

Little Homer L. Vaught was born June 12, 1930 and died June 12 at 2:30 p. m. He leaves to mourn his death a father and mother, three sisters, and two brothers. For some reason God saw best to take it home to live with Him where there is no sorrow. It was only a tiny bud here on earth to bloom in heaven. We weep not as those who have no hope but we know if we are faithful we will meet little Homer in heaven. Funeral services were conducted by Brother C. W. Kerec and the remains were laid to rest in the Highland Cemetery of Lawton, Okla. to await the coming of our blessed Saviour. — One who loves Brother and Sister Vaught, Mrs. Emma Turner, Ardmore, Okla.

WINTON

Our Sister Winton departed this life June 15, 1930. She was saved in Tennessee several years ago and was sanctified in our revival here last summer and received the Holy Ghost in Center Hill in our revival and was baptized in water. It was her whole desire to receive the Holy Ghost and be baptized in water and become a member of the Church of God and she got her desire. She became a member at Bushnell Jan. 15, 1930. Her experience of salvation was short but bright. She leaves to mourn her departure a father, mother, three brothers, six sisters, a husband, and five dear children. We sympathize with them but she was faithful to the end, trusted God unwaveringly and died in the faith, therefore we mourn not as those who have no hope. Her remains were returned to Tennessee for burial. — Written by request, J. M. Baldwin, Linden, Fla.

COOPER

The death angel visited the home of Eli Cooper and claimed for its own his darling wife, Carrie Mae (known as Carrie Mae Long). She was born March 27, 1908 and departed this life Jan. 27, 1930. She professed faith in Christ at ten years of age and joined the Baptist church. She lived up to her profession. She was buried in Bachman Grove cemetery at Huin, Tenn. The pastor of Oak Grove conducted the funeral.

Sister Cooper leaves to mourn her death a husband, three children, a father, mother, four brothers, three sisters, one aunt and a host of other relatives and friends.

On that bright celestial day I hope to meet you Carrie Mae, When Jesus comes to catch His chosen ones away; We cannot understand why So young He called you away, We'll understand it better on that

LIFE IS AS A VAPOR

J. B. Weeks.

"Whereas we know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." James 4:14.

We have felt like writing again to the dear Evangel family about our life and the shortness of it. James says life is as a vapour and I have noticed the little vapor that would rise and then as soon as the sun would begin to shine it would go away in such short time, and that is the way with our life in this world. We are here today and tomorrow gone. Inasmuch as we have such short time to stay here, I feel it is necessary to do our best for God while here for we shall never pass this way any more. The good words we can say and the good deeds we can do should be said and done quickly for we shall pass this way only one time.

Someone said the average life of man is thirty-three and one half yrs. I do not know whether this is correct or not but I do know that life is quickly passing by. Soon we shall appear before Him to whom we shall give an account for the way and manner in which we have lived in this world. Oh, if we can only be ready when the call comes for us to appear before the great Judge of all the earth! This is our day to be at our best regardless of what comes. We have the privilege of working for God now. He is counting on us to do something, to be somebody for Him. He said we were the light of the world, also, we were epistles known and read of all men. People who do not read their Bibles read you and me, brother, so how careful we ought to be in our conversation and the way we conduct ourselves. Somebody is watching us. O God, do help me to bridle my tongue. James says the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity, also if a man seem to be religious and brideth not his tongue his religion is vain. We know of many according to that rule who have vain religion.

There is power in the tongue. Many times when I have felt discouraged some brother or sister would say something good to me, and show me I was appreciated and it helped me so much. Well we just have a little while to stay here and if we have any roses to give let us give them while we live and have opportunity. If you want to be spiritual, help someone else to bear their heavy load. If you want others to love you, you must love others. If you want friends, I believe the wise man said we must show ourselves friendly. Whatever we put out in this world will surely come back to us. Opportunity is on every side and we can do something for the Lord. We can give out good tracts, speak a word to someone about the Lord, give some poor man or woman a smile or a good word. To say the least thing may help them more than anything we could do. We can get a few subscriptions for the Church of God Evangel. We can send something to the poor little orphans at Cleveland, Tenn., we can pray for them who are over us in the Lord who are bearing the great burden and show them we appreciate them. There is lots we can do and the Lord has promised if we give a cup of water to one of these little ones we shall not lose our reward.

The world is filled with confusion but we haven't time to stop and quarrel with anyone. It makes me think of a piece I read in the Sunday School quarterly not long ago. A man started away from home with his dog and the dog had to run to keep up with the master. As the car ran very fast other dogs would run out to fight with the good dog that was running but he did not have time to fight. If he stopped to fight his master would leave him so he ran along and left the ones that wanted to fight, in order to keep up with his master. I believe, dear brother, we will lose sight of our Master if we stop long enough to tell something bad on our brother or sister or someone who needs our care and sympathy instead of so much hard criticism. A little more love will do far better and the way we show the world we have passed from death unto life is the way we love our brother. We do not show to the world that we have salvation every time we shout; we do not show folks we are right every time we testify, but it is a good clean holy life behind our testimony that counts. I know I received the Holy Ghost when I spoke in tongues. My neighbors know it by the way I live. As I shall just have the opportunity to pass this way one time, I have purposed that by the help of God I will be a better man, a better husband to my wife, a better father, a better preacher and try to read and improve my talent, try to avoid the mistakes and blunders I have made and not make them again, try to love my brother better and be true to God, truth and right. Lord, help us all to work hard and fast for you as our life is as a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away. I request the dear Evangel family to please pray for my children to come this good way.

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The Good Shepherd And His Sheep

Mrs. Anna Jenkins

"And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away." 1 Pet. 5:4.

Beloved, we see three thoughts mentioned in this beautiful verse of scripture that we people of God hold dearer to our hearts than anything else in this world. First we notice the Chief Shepherd; second, His appearing; third, the reward for His people or His sheep.

Who then is the Shepherd? The Scriptures prove Him to be Jesus Christ the Son of God. He is described throughout the Old and New Testament as a shepherd. We notice St. John 10:11 that Jesus in referring to Himself said, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." We also notice He is described as the great Shepherd in Heb. 13:20: "Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant." Again in our text we see Him as the chief Shepherd. Now that we know who this Shepherd is, let us find out something about His sheep.

We never see a shepherd unless he has sheep. But who are they? He has said the good shepherd giveth His life for His sheep and the sheep are those who have turned their backs on sin and have been washed in His precious blood and continue to follow Him, doing the things which He has commanded them to do. He says in St. John 14:23, "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." What a beautiful promise He has given to those who continue in His love. He has promised to take care of His own and we need not fear for no man is able to pluck us out of His hand if we will just keep His sayings. We find He will supply our every need. He didn't promise to supply us with all the wealth and luxuries of the world, but our needs. Beloved, He knows our needs a great deal better than we do. In that precious old Psalm we love so well, we hear David cry out, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." As he goes on we hear him say, "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." We find real good nourishing soul food in God's precious Word. Whatever is needed we can find it there. If it is courage, it's there; if reproof, it's there; if consolation, it's there. Thank God forever! If we will simply let it digest real good, we find we've gone miles up the road in our Christian experience.

We find, too, that the good Shepherd has a fold. St. John 10:16 says, "And there shall be one fold." The fold is a place provided for His called out ones to be taken care of where they can have good shelter and keep good and warm. We feel sure, in fact we know, it is the reason He gave us a church called by His name. Hallelujah, the mighty power of God strikes me just right when I think of this good fold, the great Church of God. Let all else be wrong, but it's right. I can travel for miles and look at the beautiful handiwork of God, but when I come to a building with the Church of God sign on it, that looks good to me. Thank God! Be it ever so humble there's no place like home and it is home to me. Not because certain folks I know belong to it, but because I see from the Lord that it is the fold that is built on the rock. We believe He wants everyone of His children in this fold.

We notice the second thought mentioned in our text speaks of His appearing back to the earth again. If any of His sheep are out of the fold they are in great danger of not being caught up to meet Him in the air. Some will not hear to the Church of God as being the only fold, on the grounds that there are so many other good movements. True there are many other good folks who have the blessing and I believe God is calling them to the fold, but we can't let human sympathy come between us and God's Word to the extent as to believe all churches are built on the rock. My desire is to see all of God's children in this one fold and ready so when the chief Shepherd appears to go out to meet Him. Col. 3:4 says, "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory."

Now the third thought in the text speaks of the reward, a crown of glory that fadeth not away. This crown will not be like the cruel crown of thorns that was placed on our blessed Saviour's head, neither will it be like the crowns that are placed on the kings' and queens' heads of our day, but a crown of glory that fadeth not away. These old bodies of ours die and go back to Mother Earth, but this crown that is promised to His own will always stay bright and beautiful. Let us all work hard for our good Shepherd and be faithful until death and receive that shining crown of life that fadeth not away.

CUPS RUNNING OVER

A three weeks' revival closed June 15 at the Church of God, Somerset, Ky. Brother Luther A. Richard, our pastor, did the preaching which was good. A few souls prayed thru to victory, others resisted the Spirit and turned

ORPHANAGE REPORT

(Cash Receipts)

June 1st to 30th

S. S. Wake Forest, N. C. \$149; S. S. Nocatee, Fla. \$5.00; S. S. Plaza, N. Dak. \$11.20; S. S. Campaign, Tenn. \$4.22; Church, Oak Grove, Miss. \$1.25; S. S. Rome, Ga. \$3.18; Church, Easton, Md. \$5.34; S. S. Riviera, Fla. \$5.25; S. S. Kathleen, Fla. \$1.22; S. S. Ashville, N. C. \$4.82; S. S. Joliet, Mont. \$9.24; Church, Eldorado, Md. 65c; S. S. Kansas City, Kan. \$3.28; S. S. Dorothy, W. Va. \$2.20; Church, Tarpon Springs, Fla. \$48.82; Eighth County Singing Convention, Cleveland, Tenn. \$118.59; S. S. Harlan, Ky. \$3.00; S. S. Haynes, Ark. \$1.37; S. S. Kermit, W. Va. \$1.06; S. S. Walhalla (country) S. C. \$2.04; S. S. Hartwell, Ga. 69c; S. S. Myersdale, Pa. 25c; S. S. Reading, Pa. \$1.50; S. S. LaFrance, S. C. 32c; S. S. Hazelhurst, Ga. 45c; S. S. St. Luke, Md. \$1.08; S. S. Lynch, Ky. \$5.03; S. S. Largo, Fla. \$5.70; S. S. Williamsburg, Pa. \$2.58; S. S. Newport, Tenn. \$2.21; S. S. Wimberly, Ga. \$19.00; S. S. Avon Park, Fla. \$3.19; S. S. Youngtown, Ohio, \$2.25; S. S. Findlay, Ohio, \$7.81; S. S. Clayville, Pa. \$7.30; S. S. Bristol, Va. \$2.92; S. S. Marked Tree, Ark. \$2.97; S. S. Oak Ridge, Miss. \$2.50; S. S. Decatur, Ala. 65c; S. S. Columbus, Ga. \$2.00; Church, Ft. White, Fla. \$10.00; S. S. Waycross, Ga. \$1.42; Mattie (Buckalew) Rich, Blairsville, Ga. 10c; S. S. Corn, Okla. \$1.47; S. S. Lannius, Tex. 35c; District Convention, Logan, W. Va. (Boys farm) \$20.45; S. S. New Summit, Ark. 53c; S. S. Parris, Tex. \$1.10; S. S. Manns Choice, Pa. \$1.32; S. S. Eldorado, Md. 81c; S. S. Raven, Ky. \$2.95; S. S. McVeigh, Ky. \$6.03; S. S. Orlando, Fla. \$4.93; S. S. Electra, Tex. \$1.53; S. S. Fitzgerald, Ga. \$2.81; Church, Hebron, N. Dak. \$3.45; Church, Thomaston, Ga. \$3.14; S. S. Garrison, W. Va. \$1.80; S. S. Cambridge, Ky. \$6.00; S. S. Whitwell, Tenn. \$5.00; S. S. Somerset, Pa. \$2.91; S. S. Brownfield, Tex. \$1.64; S. S. Paxton, Okla. 49c; S. S. Mobette, Tex. \$4.55; S. S. Pleasant Hill, Miss. 13c; S. S. Summit, Ala. 50c; S. S. Cincinnati, Ohio. \$5.00; Home Coming Day Crane Eater, Ga. \$16.45; S. S. Joplin, Mo. \$1.07; S. S. Orlando, Fla. \$4.93; S. S. Myrtle Frix from Erwin Hill, Ga. \$1.77; S. S. Thorn, Miss. \$1.33; S. S. Chilhowie, W. Va. \$1.86; S. S. Lawrenceville, Ill. \$2.45; Church, Gasparilla, Fla. 50c; S. S. Sulphur Springs, Fla. \$2.33; S. S. Philadelphia, Pa. \$1.01; S. S. Stroud, Okla. 98c; S. S. Anderson, S. C. 28c; S. S. Calhoun, Ga. \$2.20; Church, Baldwin Park, Calif. \$2.53; S. S. LaFayette, Ga. \$1.11; S. S. Bonne Terre, Mo. \$2.56; S. S. Chauncey, Ill. \$1.48; S. S. Plant City, Fla. \$2.73; S. S. Arcadia, Fla. 46c;

S. S. Sebwa, Mich. \$1.07; S. S. Sebwa, Mich. \$7.19; S. S. Mineral Wells, Tex. 21c; S. S. Monroe, Va. \$2.50; S. S. Broad Creek, N. C. \$3.39; S. S. War, W. Va. 36c; S. S. Cambridge, Md. \$7.06; S. S. Shamrock, Tex. 81c; S. S. Pontiac, Mich. \$1.76; S. S. Mitchell Hill, Ky. 69c; S. S. Jacksonville, Ala. \$2.00; S. S. Macon, Ga. 67c; S. S. Zellwood, Fla. \$2.07; S. S. Shrewsbury, W. Va. \$1.45; S. S. Williamsburg, Ky. \$1.25; Mrs. G. H. Craig, Zwolle, La. \$2.80; S. S. St. Joseph, Mo. \$2.69; S. S. Somerset, Pa. \$2.91; S. S. Earle, S. C. \$1.13; S. S. Phoenix City, Ala. \$2.28; S. S. Wheeler, Tex. 78c; S. S. McCamey, Tex. 76c; California State Meeting \$12.50; Church Big Timber, Mont. \$10.00; Murk Chism, Tuscaloosa, Ala. \$2.00; S. S. Max Meadows, Va. \$1.07; S. S. Grove Oak, Ala. 47c; S. S. Richmond, Ky. 75c; S. S. Cantwell, Mo. \$2.51; W. P. Jones, Forest, La. 34c; S. S. Jefferson City, Tenn. 64c; S. S. Imboden, Ark. \$1.00; S. S. Harriman, Tenn. \$1.46; S. S. Magnolia, Ohio, \$2.31; S. S. Montgomery, Ala. \$2.06; S. S. Marion, Va. \$1.65; S. S. Pulaski, Va. \$1.71; S. S. Baltimore, Md. \$7.08; S. S. Arcadia, S. C. 93c; S. S. Toledo, Ohio, \$4.54; S. S. Tampa, Fla. \$4.52; S. S. Weatherford, Tex. \$1.05; S. S. Corinth, Ga. \$1.00; S. S. Lemmon, S. Dak. \$4.15; S. S. Wilmington, N. C. \$5.17; S. S. Old Landing, Ky. \$1.76; Church, New Lacey, Ga. \$3.05; S. S. Wake Forest, N. C. 86c; S. S. Ensley, Ala. \$9.58; S. S. Walbridge, Ohio, \$4.82; Church, Daisy, Tenn. \$7.00; Church, New Town, Ga. \$1.92; Macclenny, Fla. \$5.61; S. S. Carmi, Ill. \$2.53; S. S. Mand, Okla. \$3.28; S. S. Macon, Ga. \$1.59; S. S. Ree, N. Dak. \$21.51; S. S. Eupora, Miss. 85c; S. S. Eureka, W. Va. \$3.20; S. S. Desdenoma, Texas, \$1.15; S. S. Hudson, Fla. \$6.11; S. S. Yancey, Ky. \$2.25; District Convention, Tug River Dist., W. Va. (Boys Farm) \$40.00; Dorothy Beatrice Avail, Shawneetown, Ill. \$3.00; S. S. Persimmon, Ga. 67c; S. S. Bancroft, Tenn. \$2.09; S. S. Slatton, Tex. 50c; S. S. Kinsers Tabernacle, Tenn. 60c; S. S. Eldorado, Ill. \$12.08; Boswell, Pa. \$2.45.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT

Church, Crane Eater, Mrs. J. L. Poarch, 1 spread, 1 collar; Mrs. Mattie Ray, 2 towels, 1 blanket; Miss Frankie Burch, 1 bar toilet soap, 1 towel; David J. Goude, Charleston, S. C., 1 quilt top, 2 princess slips, 8 misses' dresses (new), 13 misses' dresses (worn), 16 children's dresses (new), 8 children's dresses (worn), 1 pr. misses' underwear; Mrs. J. E. Burton, Eupora, Miss., 1 pr. slippers, 1 baby's suit, 1 cap, 1 spool thread, 1 bar soap, 8 yds. cloth; Mrs. Sanford Williamson, Whipple, Ohio, 6 children's underwaists.

Four Accepted The Gospel Let's Go To Heaven

Gospel

MASTIC PT., ANDROS IS., Bah. — I am giving thanks to my Redeemer because He has been good to me this month. I left the convention and on May 16 I reached home at Andros Island. On May 23 I went on my mission work to the next settlement south of where I live. The Lord worked wonderfully. I had eight of the saints from Mastic Point church with me. They were eight warriors for God.

We had nowhere to have services so I preached the gospel in the street. Four souls fell in line with the gospel and two were baptized right away, saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. A church was set in order. As I said, we had nowhere to have service but after the baptizing the Lord opened the hearts of the candidate's mother and she granted us her house to have service in and administer the Lord's supper. It made me remember old Simeon's house that was granted to our Lord when He was on earth. What a joyful time we had. We had a hard fight with the devil when we were observing the Lord's supper. The devil blew out the light and stood over my head with a stick drawn